# VINTAGE NOTES

The 2022 growing season began in early March following a few wet winter months, which set the stage for an excellent bud-break. Bud-break continued with pleasant weather, and February and March were significantly warmer than in 2021. The summer months of the growing season were remarkably consistent. Warm days and cool nights. A perfect diurnal weather pattern for flavor development along with acidity.

### Source

Ross Station Vineyard, Green Valley of the Russian River Valley AVA, Sonoma County

## VINEYARD

The fruit for our 2022 Pinot Noir was sourced from a small 1.7 acre block known as Pumpkin Patch at Ross Station Vineyards just outside of Sebastopol. The majority of the block is planted to clone 667 while a small portion is planted to clone 115 on 101-14 rootstock. The vines were planted in 2000 on beautiful, sandy Gold Ridge series soils, which are ideal for producing world class Pinot Noir. While we at Labry refer to our Pinot Noir as Russian River Valley, the vineyard also falls within the boundaries of the Green Valley and Sonoma Coast AVAs.

### WINEMAKING

The wine was fermented in a French oak upright tank using native yeast from the vineyard. It spent 21 days on skins before being gently basket pressed and gravity fed to its aging vessels. The wine underwent natural malolactic fermentation in barrel, during which time it was stirred every other week. 11 months in 40% new, 60% once or twice used French oak barrels

# TASTING NOTES

Enticing aromas of fresh rose petal, black raspberry, sandalwood and orange pekoe tea jump from the glass. Flavors of cherry, plum and cardamom are supported by a firm acid structure and juicy mid-palate. Earth tones, hints of dried leaf pile and slight savory notes fill out the body of this seductive, silky-textured Pinot Noir. Thoroughly enjoyable upon release, this gem will age gracefully for well over a decade.

### VARIETY

100% Pinot Noir

SOIL TYPE

Gold Ridge Soils

CLONE

667

ABV

14.4%

### AGING

Aged 11 months in 40% new, 60% once used Burgundy French oak barrels

#### COOPERAGE

Remond Allier Forest - Medium Long Toast Cadus Center of France - Slow and Deep Toast

PRODUCTION SIZE & RELEASE DATE

270 Cases | Spring 2024



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